THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Eradication of dreaded diseases

2942. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government for eradication of dreaded diseases such as AIDS, Hepatitis A4VC, Cancer, TB, Leprosy, etc. spreading among the poor people of the country;

(b) the details of total amount spent by Government on these diseases during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the details of achievements made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid down on the Table of the House.

FDI in hospital industry

2943. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has taken up the matter with regard to attracting Foreign Direct Investment in hospital industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) Foreign Direct Investment upto 100 per cent in hospital sector is already permissible under the automatic route.